

Senate Bill No. 1244

Passed the Senate August 22, 2006

Secretary of the Senate

Passed the Assembly August 17, 2006

Chief Clerk of the Assembly

This bill was received by the Governor this _____ day
of _____, 2006, at _____ o'clock ____M.

Private Secretary of the Governor

CHAPTER _____

An act to add Section 328 to the Military and Veterans Code, relating to the National Guard, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1244, Soto. National Guard: volunteers: travel and uniform allowance.

Existing law specifies certain pay and allowances for members of the National Guard.

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to defray costs of service that volunteers must bear as members of the State Military Reserve and Naval Militia. This bill would authorize an allowance, as specified, to volunteers in the State Military Reserve and Naval Militia for reimbursement of uniform and travel costs. This bill would make an appropriation of \$75,000 from the General Fund to the Military Department for the purposes of providing the allowance.

Appropriation: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation recognizing the important contributions of the State Military Reserve and the Naval Militia to the public safety of this state, particularly in their role as a volunteer reserve force that works in conjunction with the California National Guard and to assume critical state duties of the National Guard should it be called into active federal service. The purpose of this act is to help defray costs of service that volunteers must bear as members of the State Military Reserve and Naval Militia.

SEC. 2. Section 328 is added to the Military and Veterans Code, to read:

328. (a) The purpose of this section is to help defray the uniform and travel costs paid by volunteers in the State Military Reserve and Naval Militia.

(b) On January 1, 2007, the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Military Department for the purposes of providing a combined uniform and travel allowance to each volunteer member of the State Military Reserve or Naval Militia, on or before the last day of the month following the volunteer member's completion of one year of satisfactory service in the State Military Reserve or Naval Militia, and annually thereafter following the completion of any subsequent full year of satisfactory service.

(c) For the purposes of this section, "satisfactory service" shall consist of 100 percent constructive attendance at training assemblies or as otherwise defined by Military Department regulations.

(d) The amount of the allowance shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) per year.

Approved _____, 2006

Governor